

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 615 – SB 623

March 19, 2013

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Replaces the Liaison Council on Certification for the Surgical Technologist (LCC-ST) with the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA) as the entity which provides certification for surgical technologists and adds a new continuing education requirement of at least 60 credits.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004870):** Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Replaces the Liaison Council on Certification for the Surgical Technologist (LCC-ST) with the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA) as the entity which provides certification for surgical technologists and requires that persons qualified to be employed as surgical technologists complete 15 hours of continuing education annually to remain qualified.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- This will have no significant fiscal impact on state or local government.
- Any rulemaking required of the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities can be handled during regularly scheduled meetings and within existing resources.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all regulatory boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities had closing balances of \$594,769 in FY10-11 and \$450,785 in FY11-12. Any revenue in excess of expenditures reverts to the general fund at fiscal year end.

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**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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